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To: Soscia, Mary Lou [Soscia.Marylou@epa.gov] Subject: RE: Agency Leadership Announcement

Agreed. Will be interesting to see how long it takes to get to a hearing for the nominee for EPA.

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Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2021 8:38 AM To: Opalski, Dan < Opalski. Dan@epa.gov> Subject: RE: Agency Leadership Announcement

Really great news. (3)



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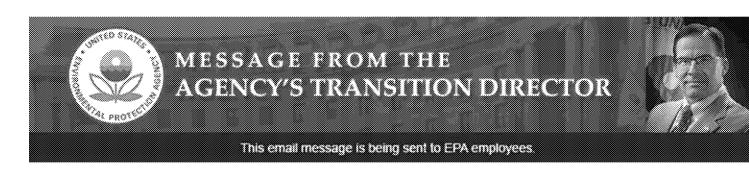
From: Opalski, Dan < Opalski.Dan@epa.gov> Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2021 5:26 PM To: Soscia, Mary Lou <Soscia.Marylou@epa.gov> Subject: Fwd: Agency Leadership Announcement

I guess this is our answer about Jane!

Sent from my iPhone

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From: MassMailer < massmailer@epa.gov> Date: January 20, 2021 at 5:01:14 PM PST To: MassMailer < massmailer@epa.gov> **Subject: Agency Leadership Announcement** 



Dear Colleagues,

As you know, President Joseph Biden was inaugurated as our 46th President at noon today, so I am sharing some important transition information with all of you.

Shortly after being sworn in, President Biden signed an Executive Order naming acting heads of federal agencies, pending Senate confirmation of his nominees. For EPA, the President appointed Jane Nishida to serve as EPA's Acting Administrator until the new EPA Administrator is confirmed. Jane currently serves as the Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of International and Tribal Affairs (OITA) where she is responsible for the full range of EPA's international and tribal programs. Jane has over 30 years of environmental experience working in federal and state government, and international and nongovernmental organizations. Prior to joining EPA in 2011, she served as the Senior Environmental Institutions Specialist at the World Bank, and from 1995 to 2002, she served as the Secretary of Maryland's Department of the Environment. Jane received a Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs from Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Oregon, and a Juris Doctorate from Georgetown Law Center in Washington, D.C. I know that you all will join me in supporting Jane as she assumes this important responsibility.

We appreciate everyone's support of the agency's transition activities over the past several months. I am proud of our work with the Biden-Harris Agency Review Team and extend my gratitude to the AO, and the national program and regional offices who provided a substantial level of support to this transition effort.

Wes Carpenter Agency Transition Director